Cedar Glen Disaster Recovery Redevelopment Project Area Project Area Committee

Friday, July 20, 2007
Fire Station 91
301 S. State Highway 173, Lake Arrowhead, CA
1:30 PM

DRAFT MINUTES

Members Present

Kevin Ryan Larry Doetsch Peter Markovich Wayne Palmer Resident Owner-Occupant Resident Second-Home Owner Business Owner

Christmas in April

Members Absent

Chuck Peters Dick Pretzinger

Lake Arrowhead Comm. Chamber of Commerce (Vice Chair)

Resident Owner-Occupant (Chair)

Staff Present

Kathy Thomas
Gary Hallen
Jan Dustin
Christy Elshof
Tom Sutton

Jeff Rigney

Jim Oravets

George Corley

David Prusch Cheryl Nagy Redevelopment Director

Redevelopment Supervising Project Manager

Redevelopment Project Manager Redevelopment Project Manager

Director, Special Districts

Division Chief, Special Districts Division Chief, Special Districts

Division Chief County Fire

Field Representative, 3rd Supervisorial District Community Liaison, 3rd Supervisorial District

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Wayne Palmer at 1:35 p.m.

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Certification of Posting

Staff certified the agendas were posted at the following locations:

- Cedar Glen Post Office
- Fire Station 91
- Cedar Glen Trading Post and Hardware
- Lake Arrowhead Post Office

Approval of Minutes

Kevin Ryan made a motion to approve the minutes of the PAC meeting of April 21, 2007; seconded by Peter Markovich. Approved unanimously.

Old Business

None

New Business

Presentations

Special Districts provided an update regarding the status of the water and road projects. The status is as follows:

Tom Sutton, Director of Special Districts Department (SDD) reported that SDD entered into escrow on June 1, 2007 for the purchase of the Arrowhead Manor Water Company and applied for a "Transfer of Ownership" on July 18, 2007. A closing date has not been determined. Issues relating to the receivership and outstanding loan with the Department of Water Resources still need to be negotiated and resolved for the Public Utilities Commission to approve the transfer.

Jim Oravets, SDD spoke about the staging of the \$3 million dollar DRI Grant-funded water system improvements. SDD released an RFP for Phase 1 design on May 16, 2007, received 9 proposals and will select a consultant July 24, with Board approval estimated at August 14. Well siting should be determined by July 25, and the Survey work is scheduled to be completed in August, 2007. Jim also discussed the street sign project and explained that there were some errors in some of the street signs and that was being addressed.

Jeff Rigney, SDD, spoke about the new Road Maintenance Tax Election. A discussion was held as to whether to conduct a "Registered Voter" election, or a "Property Owner" election. Consensus was reached that a "Property Owner" election would be conducted with special attention paid to removing the street lighting from the ballot. Voters will

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also be provided with a better explanation of the benefits of the tax. Tom Sutton said voters need to understand that the tax allows the upgrading of the water system and of the roads for better fire service delivery, and allows for an alternate access road, improving the safety of the community. Kevin Ryan made a motion that the PAC approve this approach to a new election. Larry Doetsch seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Discussion

Kathy Thomas introduced the Redevelopment staff and briefly introduced the staff project report. The report matrix of current and planned RDA projects in Cedar Glen is being modified and updated and will be placed on the County's website on RDA's page under Cedar Glen RDA.

Staff reported that CalTrans has agreed to install "Business District" signage at Highway 173 and Hook Creek Road, and is considering a request for right and left turn pockets off of Hook Creek Road onto Highway 173. Staff also discussed a parking lot improvement plan at Hook Creek Road and Oak Terrace. A discussion was held regarding the necessity for trucks and school busses having adequate turn-around space. The suggestions will be studied.

Staff discussed the possibility of a monument sign or other signage to help identify the area around a theme to be determined by the PAC. The draft RFP given to the PAC will be reworked to allow local mountain artists to propose a conceptual theme and suggest how to carry it forward—monument sign, banners, street furniture, etc.

Discussion was held regarding the sale of tax-defaulted parcels. Notice of parcels coming up for auction was not made available to RDA by the Tax Collector's office as requested. Those not sold at the most recent sale in May are available for auction through the County, with bids being due August 6th. Those not sold, as well as those owned by the RDA, will be mapped and listed for SDD to allow them to determine if any are necessary for the planned street improvements. RDA is researching with the Tax Collector the issue of offering parcels to adjacent owners.

Residents mentioned their concern about lot size, and the perception that some houses being built on substandard lots on the original footprint are being built by new owners, not the original owners as was the intent of rules governing rebuilding efforts. RDA will research the issue and David Prusch, 3rd District Field Representative said he will discuss the issue with Supervisor Hansberger.

Public Comments

Comments were made that they were pleased that the purchase of the water company is progressing, and they were pleased to see plans for the road and water improvements.

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PAC Members Comments

None

Staff Comments

Staff stated that they will work to have the Cedar Glen RDA Project Matrix on the website soon, and provide updates to the project reports on an ongoing basis.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm.

Approved

Chair